Stopping dissection of animals in schools

1115. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that CBSE has recently issued orders for stopping dissection of animals at school level; and

(b) whether similar instructions have also been issued by State Education Boards and if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As per available records, Council for Indian School Examinations, Government of Gujarat, Mizoram, Maharashtra, Punjab, Tripura, Delhi and Daman & Diu have issued instructions for deleting dissection of animals from the schools' syllabi. In Uttar Pradesh, dissection has been banned upto the level of Class Xth Government of Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and National Open School have made dissection optional.

Schools in Gujarat with foreign assistance

1116. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of primary schools opened/proposed to be opened with foreign assistance in Gujarat, district-wise; and

(b) the amount provided to each district for this purpose during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) and (b) According to available information furnished by the State Government, the number of new primary schools opened in three districts of Gujarat covered under the externally assisted District Primary Education Programme is as follows:—